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JOINT TOWN BOARD RESOLUTION ON YUCCA MOUNTAIN  
TOWN ADVISORY BOARDS  
(Amargosa Valley, Beatty, Gabbs, Pahrump, and Tonopah)  
NYE COUNTY, NEVADA

Be it hereby resolved:

Whereas the Town Boards of the communities listed above support the Nye County, Nevada, Community Protection Plan, and

Whereas the various communities of Nye County, Nevada, are, and will be, affected to varying degrees by the placement of high-level nuclear waste in Yucca Mountain, and

Whereas several of the affected communities have initiated individual efforts to address the protections and benefits that should result from the placement or potential placement of high-level nuclear waste in Yucca Mountain, and

Whereas the placement of high-level nuclear waste in Yucca Mountain will and potentially will negatively affect the lives and livelihood of the people in the communities within Nye County, Nevada, and

Whereas the Nye County Board of Commissioners requested that the Town Advisory Boards of the various communities of Nye County work together to identify and state their requirements as a result of the intended placement of high-level nuclear waste in Yucca Mountain,

We, the Joint Town Advisory Boards Committee on Yucca Mountain, in behalf of the Town Advisory Board of Nye County, Nevada, do hereby request the following help to mitigate the socioeconomic, environmental, and health risks to area residents:

TRANSPORTATION IMPACT MITIGATION

1. Routes must be clearly defined and the contracted truckers must be required to follow those routes, when at all possible;
2. Community health and safety personnel must be advised of the impending use of those or alternate routes;
3. The following roads must be reconstructed and expanded:
  - a. US95 from Mercury to Tonopah must be reconstructed and expanded to a full four lanes, plus shoulders and turning lanes at intersecting state or federal highways;
  - b. The following roads must be reconstructed and expanded to a 36-foot surface (two lanes plus two full shoulders):
    - 1) US6 from Tonopah east to Ely;
    - 2) Nevada 373 from the Nevada state line to US95;
    - 3) Nevada 375 from US 93 to US6;
    - 4) Nevada 361 from US95 to US50;

4. All deputies and staff in the Nye County Sheriff's Department must receive terrorism training.
5. Funds must be provided full-time deputy coverage in each community (24/7), with the number of deputies/dispatchers commensurate with the size of the community.
6. Additional deputies must be funded to provide better coverage on the Federal highways.
7. Each affected community in Nye County must have full-time medical coverage (24/7), with staff trained in trauma and nuclear medicine.
8. A 10-bed hospital must be established and staffed in Amargosa Valley, with staff trained in trauma and nuclear accident medicine.
9. Housing must be provided for medical staff.
10. Upgraded ambulances must be provided to transport patients from Goldfield to Tonopah.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IMPACT MITIGATION

To ensure that the economy of Nye County is not negatively impacted by the construction of the repository or by the future down-sizing due to the end of construction and to compensate Nye County for the location of the repository, the Department of Energy (DOE) and its contractors and other Federal agencies, where appropriate must take certain actions.

1. The Union Hall for all craft positions must be located in Nye County.
2. A reasonable number (not less than 10%) of all craft positions must be filled by non-union personnel.
3. Nye County must be designated a Hub Zone.
4. The DOE and its contractors must cease any subsidies or other reimbursements to employee traveling to the Yucca Mountain Project from Las Vegas.
5. The DOE and its contractors must subsidize transportation to Yucca Mountain or its other Yucca Mountain offices for employees from other points within Nye County.
6. DOE and contractor offices should be placed within Nye County.
7. Procurement and contracting procedures should be modified to enable potential contractors who are located in Nye County to interact more easily with the DOE and its contractors.
8. Low interest loans should be made available to Nye County residents and corporations for local business development.
9. If rail is used for transportation, passenger service must be provided within Nye County to enable workers to travel to jobs.
10. Ensure preferential treatment to Nye County and the Nevada Test Site for federal programs that would provide jobs and further economic development within Nye County.

## HOUSING IMPACT MITIGATION

Housing must be available for workers. However, expansion and contraction of Yucca Mountain staff must not negatively affect communities in Nye County. To those ends, the DOE must support local communities through the following:

1. Ensure low-interest loans are available for the construction, purchase and resale of manufactured homes and "stick-built" homes;
2. Establish employee housing buy-back policies for the DOE and its contractors;
3. Establish policies for the DOE and its contractors to turn over vacated housing to the local communities for resale after its use for Program personnel is ended.

## UTILITIES IMPACT MITIGATION

Impact mitigation funds must be provided to the communities of Nye County for improvements in infrastructure and communications capabilities. Minimum improvements must include the following:

1. Ensure a safe water system and adequate supply of water for each community in Nye County;
2. Establish adequate community sanitation systems in Pahrump and Amargosa Valley;
3. Waive all fees and provide land for solid waste disposal;
4. Create an economic and regulatory climate favorable for the development and use of solar, wind and nuclear power in Nye County;
5. Establish state-of-the-art telecommunications networks with connections to all residences and business to serve as an emergency alert system and for general telecommunication use.
6. Provide grants to subsidize telecommunications services for the elderly and low-income residents.

## EDUCATION, LIBRARIES AND THE ARTS

Education, libraries, and the arts are very important, especially in rural communities. Funds must be provided to support the following:

1. Establish and maintain state-of-the-art alarm systems in schools and libraries;
2. Create and maintain Early Start, Head Start, kindergarten, English as a second language, and other programs to support the improvement of educational opportunities in the affected communities;
3. Establish and support science and math curricula throughout the elementary, middle school and high school grades to facilitate movement of students from high school to technical schools or college and to jobs on the Yucca Mountain program;

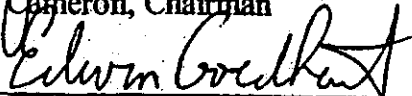
4. Establish and maintain post-high school technical training for Nye County students to facilitate their getting jobs at Yucca Mountain and in other technical fields;
5. Establish and maintain two and four-year college campuses in at least two locations within Nye County and to provide college courses over the internet;
6. Provide operational funds for libraries throughout Nye County to assist with staffing and the procurement of equipment and other resources.
7. Support the building and equipping of state-of-the-art schools and libraries with meeting rooms in the affected communities to support education, recreation and other community activities.
8. Provide funding for the teachers, equipment and materials necessary to provide art, music and drama instruction and activities for grades K-12.
9. Provide the infrastructure necessary for K-12 athletics, such as tennis courts, track and field arenas, football stadiums, soccer fields, basketball courts, wrestling facilities, etc.

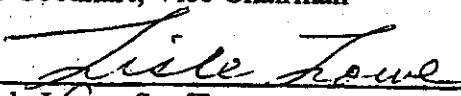
#### MONITORING ECOLOGICAL RESOURCES

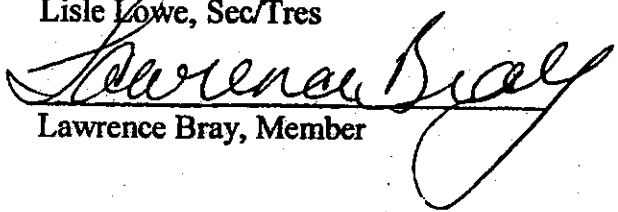
It is critical that the Department of Energy fund the establishment and maintenance of Nye County monitoring of ecological resources within Nye County, including air, water and ground resources as identified in the Nye County Protection Plan.

The Amargosa Valley Town Advisory Board approved the Joint Town Board Resolution on Yucca Mountain, on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of February 2004.

  
Jan Cameron, Chairman

  
Ed Goedhart, Vice Chairman

  
Lisle Lowe, Sec/Tres

  
Lawrence Bray, Member

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Doris Jackson, Member